



Negotiating Group on the Multilateral Agreement on Investment (MAI)

Drafting Group No.3 on Definition, Treatment and Protection of Investors and Investments

AGENDA

Meeting on 26 March 1997

**DG N° 3 ON DEFINITION, TREATMENT AND PROTECTION
OF INVESTORS AND INVESTMENTS**

Agenda

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| 1. Adoption of the Agenda | DAFFE/MAI/DG3/A(97)3 |
| 2. Approval of the Summary Record of the meeting held
24-25 February 1997 | DAFFE/MAI/DG3/M(97)2 |
| 3. Provision on Not Lowering Standards | |
| <u>For Reference</u>
Report to the Negotiating Group
Note by the Chair | DAFFE/MAI/DG3(97)4
DAFFE/MAI/DG3(97)5 |
| 4. Article on Lodging Country Specific Reservations | |
| <u>For Reference</u>
Liberalisation and the Lodging of Country Specific
Reservations | DAFFE/MAI/(97)11 |
| 5. Intellectual Property | |
| <u>For reference</u>
-- Report to the Negotiating Group
-- Note by one delegation
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-- Selected Texts from the Energy Charter Treaty | DAFFE/MAI/DG3(97)4
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| 6. Report to the Negotiating Group | |
| 7. Future Work/Other Business | |

Notes to the Agenda

Item 3: Provision on Not Lowering Standards

The Drafting Group is invited to prepare draft text for a provision which calls for MAI Parties not to lower standards in order to attract investment, based on the results of the discussion in February [DAFFE/MAI/DG3(97)4].

Item 4: Article on Lodging Country Specific Reservations

The Drafting Group will be invited to develop a draft provision on the lodging of country-specific reservations be based on earlier discussions on the issue of liberalisation and the lodging of country specific reservations [DAFFE/MAI(97)11 and its attached excerpt from DAFPE/MAI/(97)1].

Item 5: Intellectual Property

Intellectual property experts are scheduled to meet on 24-25 March 1997 in order to develop proposals, including text where appropriate, on issues concerning intellectual property, including artistic and literary property. The Drafting Group will take stock of their work and determine with them how best to present it to the Negotiating Group.

Item 6: Report to the Negotiating Group

The Group is expected to report to the Negotiating Group on the foregoing items at its meeting of 24-27 March 1997.

Annex

REVISED MANDATE FOR DRAFTING GROUP N° 3

1. The Drafting Group, open to the participation of all delegations, is charged with drafting proposed solutions to the outstanding issues in the consolidated texts and commentaries.
2. In particular, the Group will prepare draft text on:
 - a. Issues concerning intellectual property, including artistic and literary property.
 - b. A provision which calls for MAI countries not to lower standards in order to attract investment.
 - c. An Article dealing with the lodging of country specific reservations.
3. The Group will report to the Negotiating Group on the items in paragraph 2 in March 1997, and on other topics as appropriate.

Chair: Mr Jérôme Haas (France)

Vice-Chair: Mr Anders Ahnlid (Sweden)